



# *The Blurb*



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***Board Meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup>  
General Meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup>***

*This month's Blurb is made possible by Joe Sabach, K3AOB who fixed my MS Word program that suddenly went kaplooeey. Many Thanks Joe!*

***Fall Officially Begins on the 22nd !***

***MS150 still needs help! See page 5***

***Two-Day Ham Radio Class -- Sept 10th and 11th, 2016 See page 4***

***59th Jamboree On The Air: October 14-16, 2016 See page 4***

## **Update from Steve, WU3I on Bryan Hoch Scholarship**

Back in July My Sister, Reggie had a fundraiser /Pool Party at her home. She was raising money for two causes. The first was Cancer Cares which distributes gift cards for regular needs for families traveling for Cancer Treatments. The other was the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club Scholarship Fund in the name of Bryan Hoch. I forgot to mention Reggie and her husband Jim are Bryans Godparents.

There were 25 gift baskets raffled off that were made and donated, and a Wall of Beer. The proceeds from the gift baskets went to Cancer cards and garnered in excess of \$2000.00. The wall of beer was built by everyone attending bringing a six pack of Craft Beer or a case of regular beer. The proceeds of the Wall of Beer went to the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club Scholarship Fund. The amount raised was \$700.00. The Check will be presented at the September Meeting.

Hope to see you there.

***Stephen Hoch WU3I***

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                       | <p><b>Sunday Morning Net Schedules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>2 Meter/ 70cm Net</b>..... at 0930L on W3QV repeater</li> <li>• <b>10-on-10 Net</b> ..... at 1000L 28.393 MHz USB (±QRM)</li> <li>• <b>75 meter Net</b> ..... at 1020L 3.993 MHz LSB</li> <li>• <b>ARES</b> at 2100L on the W3QV repeater</li> </ul> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <p><b>Committees</b></p> <p>Blurb folding: KB3IV &amp; N3GLU<br/> Directory: KB3IV<br/> Field Day: KC2PMW<br/> Fusion Coord: NC3U</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <p>Internet: N3QV &amp; KC2PMW</p> <p>Membership: K3HWG</p> <p>Net Control: KB3IV</p> | <p>Program: W3AOK</p> <p>Publicity: W3RM</p> <p>Refreshments: W3AOK</p> <p>Repeater: W3AOK</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <p>Scholarship: W3RM</p> <p>Sunshine: N3GLU</p> <p>VE Program: NS3K</p> <p>Welcome: N3UBY</p> <p>Youth: KC2PMW</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

### **All visitors are welcome!**

The club meets at 7:00 PM on the *second* non-holiday Wednesday each month except July and August at Giant Supermarket, 315 York Rd, Willow Grove, PA  
Maps and directions are available at [www.phil-mont.org](http://www.phil-mont.org).

**License Examinations** are held on the fourth **non-holiday Thursday** each month at

**Community Ambulance Association, 1414 E. Butler Pike, Ambler PA 19002**

Registration begins at 7:00 P.M. Applicants should contact Jim McCloskey NS3K at 215-275-2979 or [jmccloskey@msn.com](mailto:jmccloskey@msn.com) for the latest information.

**Club Stations W3QV/R: The Jim Spencer Memorial Repeater System**

Ridge & Port Royal Avenues, Philadelphia, PA **Trustee: W3RM**

**147.03 MHz + PL 91.5 Hz 444.80 MHz + PL 186.2 Hz**

Reach us on EchoLink through W3QV-R

**W3AA Trustee: WU3I**

**W3EM: Field Day/special event station Trustee: N3QV**

### **The Officers**

**President:** WA3GM Greg Malone [wa3gm@yahoo.com](mailto:wa3gm@yahoo.com)

**Vice President:** W3AOK Bill Popovic [w3aok@verizon.net](mailto:w3aok@verizon.net)

**Treas:** KB3IV Ed Masarsky [kb3iv@comcast.net](mailto:kb3iv@comcast.net)

**Secretary:** WU3I Steve Hoch [wu3i@arrl.net](mailto:wu3i@arrl.net)

***The Prez Sez ...***

Hello Phil-Mont

Summer is quickly slipping away and Labor Day is just around the corner,

It has been a busy summer with traveling and family commitments and yes some radio in between.

Although it's been a good summer I unfortunately lost 2 friends over the past few weeks. One was a ham and the other was one of my fellow retirees from the police department. Both good guys who will be greatly missed.

Our next meeting is right around the corner on Wednesday September 14 at the Giant Food Store in Willow Grove. Bring your summer adventures and a friend.

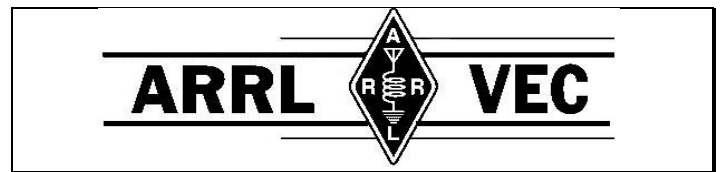
Well back to the last project of the summer and that is moving my daughter and my grandson to her new QTH..... I think I need a vacation HI HI.

If anyone has any suggestions for a speaker or would like to speak at one of our meetings please let any of the club officers or board members know. Your input is vital and we welcome all suggestions.

Don't forget to sign up for the Phil-Mont Yahoo Group. We currently have 40+ members. This is a good way to share ideas amongst the membership. Sal NC3U is the moderator the group. For more info and to join the group contact Sal.

Everybody have a good Labor Day and we'll see you on the 14<sup>th</sup> at our next meeting.

**73, Greg WA3GM**



***Thursday evening session is on  
the 22<sup>nd</sup> this month.***

***There is a Saturday morning session on the  
10th at 9:00***

***As always, many thanks to our VE team!***

#### **UPCOMING DIRECTORY SUPPLEMENT**

With the October Blur you will receive the 2016 Directory Supplement. It will contain new member information, plus corrections and additions received during the last six months. If you have any changes that you have not previously sent please do so now.

In addition, the Supplement will feature the "Electronic Mailing list" of PMRC members who have sent me their E-Mail addresses.

If you would like your cell phone listed in place of your work phone, Please indicate your change and the cell number, followed by (cp).

If you have changes, send your information to me (no later than 9/12 at: [kb3iv@comcast.net](mailto:kb3iv@comcast.net) or via snail mail at the address shown in your directory.

## ***Phil-Mont Birthdays & Tidbytes***

### **September Birthdays**

- 01 Sol Volen - N3UBY
- 02 Gregory Malone - WA3GM
  
- 04 Eileen Livezey (XYL KC3EEO)
- 06 Linda Witmer (XYL W3RW)
  
- 12 Arie Dash - KC3EXV
- 13 Marge Concordia (XYL WB3KAC)
- 15 Bob Freer - W3YLT
- 16 Robert Siegrist -KB3ZKN
- 17 Vikye Swanson (XYL N3GLH)
  
- 20 Michael Taraborrelli - N3MT
- 21 Susan Bogash - KB1ZNK  
Stefan Didizian - KB3VLY
- 23 Eileen Kerrigan (XYL ND3B)  
John Simon – KB3SJS  
Patricia Day (XYL WA3QED)
- 24 Virginia Buono (XYL WA3ADI)

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#### MEMBERSHIP STATS

At press time P.M.R.C. has:  
105 FULL PAID MEMBERS  
10 FAMILY MEMBERS  
2 YOUTH MEMBERS  
1 HONORARY MEMBER

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### **Two-Day Ham Radio Class -- Sept 10th and 11th, 2016**

Ron Small (WB2OOB) in connection with the Glen Gartner School of Amateur Radio announce a quick two day class to be held at the Falls Township Building the weekend following Labor Day. Class time is 8am to 5pm Saturday and 8am to exam time on Sunday -- should wrap up before 5pm. As usual,

the exam fee is \$15 if you choose to take the test.

Ron teaches an abbreviated Gordon West system typically designed for the fire fighter, rescue or volunteer worker, and anyone who needs to know how to pick up a radio and talk on the ham bands. It is not a long drawn out class that explains all aspects of amateur radio, rather a fast moving class that covers the basics to get your Technician class license.

[http://www.gordonwestradioschool.com/main/page\\_ham\\_classes.html](http://www.gordonwestradioschool.com/main/page_ham_classes.html)

[http://www.gordonwestradioschool.com/main/page\\_w5yi\\_training\\_resources.html](http://www.gordonwestradioschool.com/main/page_w5yi_training_resources.html)

Any questions please call or e-mail Ron; 215-968-0967 or [wb2oob@arrl.net](mailto:wb2oob@arrl.net) (de kb3iv)

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### **Scouting: 59th Jamboree On The Air: October 14-16, 2016**

Hello all,

I am making a preliminary Cub Scout Pack schedule for my Pack Committee.

An upcoming event that I would welcome ham radio assistance with is Jamboree On The Air. Each year more than a million Scouts and Guides "get together" over the airwaves for the annual Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA). During the 2014 event, worldwide Scouting participation included 1.1 million Boy Scouts and 200,000 Girl Guides/Girl Scouts, for a total participation of over 1.3 million--the largest Scouting event in the world.

Participation in Jamboree On The Air is now one of the requirements in the Webelos Program!

Arrow of Light Adventure: Building a Better World Requirement 10, option d,  
Under the supervision of your parent, guardian, or den leader, connect with a Scout in another country during an event such as Jamboree on the Air or Jamboree on the Internet or by other means.

All I would need is someone who is patient (!) and has a rig for good DXing (not my Yaesu 817!) to either allow a small group of 10 year old Cubs to either visit their shack or set up at another location to see if they can raise a Scout in another country - what a great opportunity to introduce Ham Radio to a kid!

If anyone is would like to participate, please let me know. My Den of Arrow Of Light kid is only 3 deep, so this should not be overwhelming. If you allow me, I may also open this up to the older Scouts - I am associated with a Troop of boy (6th through 12th grade) who may be interested as well.

If the response of operators is strong, I may get some other units your contact information as well.

In Scouting  
Tom Knight  
KC3BIW

## MS150 information

Hello All:

It is now less than 1 month before the MS 150 event. We come to you with still a need of an additional 25+ HAMS to man posts along the route. The MS Society has been very gracious in extending our deadline for rooming availability in Ocean City for 2 day volunteers. We ask that anyone interested in volunteering please use the attached form to email back to us, or use the link listed on page 1 of the form to volunteer on-line. For those of you who don't really know about this event, also find attached our information brochure.

I often tell the story of the veteran rider talking to groups of rookie riders, and telling them that if anything goes wrong on the road, or they have any problems, just look for the car that has the big antenna on it. These guys will be able to help you and get you any information you may need. This always makes me feel accomplished on the inside,

knowing that our Community of HAMS are so entrusted.

Please try to put September 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> on your calendar to come out and use our hobby to set an example and a standard for all HAMS to take this opportunity to fulfill our part 95 community service requests. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions. If you know anyone looking to get their ticket in a hurry, we have also attached a flier for a class being held by one of our volunteers.

Thank you, and we look forward to working with all of our veterans and many new volunteers this year.

With Much Appreciation

73

Communications Operations Team 609.316.8220



***And it happens without any warning!***

***September at Phil-Mont***

Sun 4 NC3U

Mon 5 Labor Day

Wed 7 Board Meeting

Sat 10 Morning VE session

Sun 11 K3EUI

WTC attacked by terrorists 2011

Wed 14 General Meeting

Sun 18 KB3IV

Thur 22 Evening VE Session

First day of Autumn

Sun 25 K3XS

***Don't forget the ARES net on Sunday nights and  
the Digital net on Tuesday nights.***

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**For Sale**

***1/8" (290#) & 3/16" (380#) Dark Olive Drab  
Braided Cord · 100% Polyester/Dacron Knit  
Braided. Nice stuff! Tough and long lasting · UV  
Resistant and Low Stretch Proudly Made in the  
U.S.A.! Contact Steve WU3I at wu3i@arrl.net or  
215-605-6074***

For Sale MFJ 998

Full Legal Limit 1500 Watt Intellituner automatic antenna tuner. With a capability of 1500 watts SSB and CW, coupled with automatic tuning, your high-power station can now operate essentially hands-free even when frequency and band changes are made. Asking \$500.00 Bill K3HWG

For Sale MFJ-962D

MFJ-962D handles 1500 Watts PEP SSB amplifier input power (800 Watts PEP SSB amplifier output power). It's perfect for Ameritrons best-selling 800 Watt AL-811H or 600 Watt AL-811 amplifiers! Asking \$200.00 Bill K3HWG [K3HWG@arrl.net](mailto:K3HWG@arrl.net)

***First Class Mail***

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